

House Resolution No. 4011

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives wholeheartedly believe that a successful marriage forms a firm foundation for a lifetime of happiness and security and wish to salute an outstanding Missouri couple whose union confirms that philosophy; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Riggins, treasured residents of Ellsinore, Missouri, commemorated the resplendent occasion of their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary on June 3, 2007, with a festive celebration held at the Ellsinore Nutrition Center; and

Whereas, joined in marriage before the eyes of the Lord on June 3, 1957, Sam and Bernice Riggins began their lives together as husband and wife after a memorable wedding ceremony in Winfield, Kansas; and

Whereas, a proud father and caring husband, Mr. Riggins provided a safe and secure future for his loved ones as a cattle and hog farmer for many years and stellar employee of the Missouri State Highway Department (MODOT) for more than twenty years, while somehow finding the time and energy for affiliation with the Masonic Lodge, ARMSE District 9 of the Order of the Eastern Star, and Mount Zion General Baptist Church; and

Whereas, a devoted wife and loving mother, Mrs. Riggins enjoyed her family immensely and further distinguished herself as a nurse's aide from 1953 to 1957, co-manager of the family farm, and member of the Patterson Church of Christ; and

Whereas, Sam and Bernice Riggins attribute their fifty years of wedded success and happiness to their strong sense of faith and family, the foundation upon which they have planted the seeds of their love and respect for each other in the generations to follow which include their children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in a thunderous round of applause for Sam and Bernice Riggins upon the glorious celebration of their Golden Wedding Anniversary, and in wishing them much peace and prosperity as they proudly continue their journey along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Sam Riggins.

Offered by _____
Representative Mike Dethrow
District No. 153

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 4011, adopted June 11, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker